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Banks.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1886.
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ¥24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP "18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED "6,000,000
RESERVE FUND "9,000,000

Head Office—YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies:
TOKYO, KOBÉ,
NAGASAKI, LONDON,
LYONS, NEW YORK,
SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU,
HOMBAI, SHANGHAI,
TIENTSIN, NEWCHANG,
PEKING.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LD.
PARIS BANK, LD.
THE UNION OF LONDON AND
SMITHS BANK, LD.

HONGKONG BRANCH—INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per Annum on the Daily Balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.

TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.
Hongkong, 11th March, 1903.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND—
Sinking Reserve \$10,000,000
Silver Reserve \$6,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
A. J. RAYMOND, Esq., Chairman.
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E. SHELLIM, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—J. R. M. SMITH.

SHANGHAI—H. M. BEVIS.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTRY
BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 4 per cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 1/2 per cent. per Annum.

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1903.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be
obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 PER
CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1902.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital \$1,000,000
Paid up Capital \$324,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Board of Directors—
Chan Kit Shan, Esq. J. Scott Harston, Esq.
Chow Tung Shing, Esq. J. J. LAUS, Esq.

Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5%
Hongkong, 12th May, 1903.

THE DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

PAID-UP CAPITAL Sh. Tael 5,000,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES: Hankow,
Canton, Tientsin,
Tsingtau (Kiautschou).

LONDON BANKERS:
Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SONS,
UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LTD.
DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENCY
DIRECTION DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account.
DEPOSITS received on terms which may be
learned on application. Every description of
Banking and Exchange business transacted.

H. FIGGE,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1903.

GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK (AMERICAN BANK).

ESTABLISHED 1864.

PAID UP CAPITAL U.S. Gold \$2,000,000
SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS \$5,180,000

Gold \$7,180,000

Head Office—NEW YORK.

LONDON OFFICE:
33 and 35, Lombard Street, E.C.

F. C. Bishop, Manager, Eastern Department.

LONDON BANKERS:
PARR'S BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG OFFICE:
4, DES VŒUX ROAD.

General Banking and Exchange business
transacted.

INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Accounts at 2 1/2 per annum.
On Fixed Deposits:
For 3 months 2 1/2 per annum.
" 6 " 3 1/2 " " "
" 12 " 4 " " "

E. F. GROS,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1902.

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

HEAD OFFICE—NEW YORK.

FISCAL AGENTS FOR THE UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA IN CHINA AND THE
PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Capital paid in, U.S. Gold \$4,000,000
Surplus (Reserve) Gold \$4,000,000

Total Gold \$8,000,000

Capital and Surplus authorized, Gold \$10,000,000
= \$2,055,000.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF
ENGLAND, LIMITED.

THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S
BANK, LIMITED.

The Corporation buys and sells Bills of
Exchange, issues Letters of Credit and carries
on every description of Banking and Exchange
business. Money received on Current Deposit
Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum
on the daily balances, and on Fixed Deposit
as follows:
For 12 months, 4 1/2 per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " "
" 3 " 3 1/2 " " "

HONGKONG BRANCH:
20, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL.

CHARLES R. SCOTT,
Manager.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1903.

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE
OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Shanghai Tael.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL 5,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL 2,500,000

Head Office—SHANGHAI.

Branches and Agencies:
CANTON, PENANG,
CHEFOO, SINGAPORE,
HANKOW, TIENTSIN,
PEKING.

THE Bank purchases and receives for collection
Bills of Exchange drawn on the above
places, and sells Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers
Payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH:
Advances made on approved securities.
Bills discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS:
3 1/2 per Annum Fixed Deposits for 3 months.
4 " " " "
5 " " " "

E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.

Hongkong, 12th August, 1903.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £800,000
RESERVE FUND £725,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent. per
annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent.
" 6 " 5 " " "
" 3 " 6 " " "

T. P. COCHRANE,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1903.

Mails.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL ON REMARKS.

LONDON and ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES SUMATRA About 18th September Freight and Passage.

YOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI and KUBE. JAV About 19th September Freight and Passage. (Passing through the Inland Sea).

SHANGHAI COROMANDEL About 25th September Freight and Passage. G. M. Montford.

LONDON, &c. BALLAKAT Noon, 26th September See Special Advertisement. F. R. Summers.

For Further Particulars, apply to E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1903.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ALLEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG; PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS; ALSO

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS; Steamers will call at GIBRALTAR and at SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers and Luggage.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the Principal Places in Russia.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS. SAILING DATES.
RAYERN WEDNESDAY, 16th September.
ZIETEN WEDNESDAY, 30th September.
SEYDLITZ WEDNESDAY, 14th October.
ROON WEDNESDAY, 28th October.
PREUSSEN WEDNESDAY, 11th November.
HAMBURG WEDNESDAY, 25th November.
PRINZ HEINRICH WEDNESDAY, 9th December.
KONIG ALBERT WEDNESDAY, 23rd December.
KIAUTSCHOU WEDNESDAY, 6th January, 1904.
SACHSEN WEDNESDAY, 20th January, 1904.
BAVERN WEDNESDAY, 3rd February, 1904.
SEYDLITZ WEDNESDAY, 17th February, 1904.
ROON WEDNESDAY, 2nd March, 1904.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 16th day of September, 1903, at Noon, the Steamship "BAVERN," of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain H. Formes, with PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 14th instant, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 15th instant, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on TUESDAY, the 15th instant. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement. The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses. Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS. Hongkong, 4th September, 1903.

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

NEW STOCK OF SHOOTING & WALKING BOOTS.

TWEED HATS AND CAPS.
RAINCOATS AND WATERPROOFS.
FOX'S PATENT SPIRAL PUTTIES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 11th September, 1903.

THOMAS' HOTEL.

A FIRST CLASS HOTEL, comfortably furnished, and most centrally situated, being in close proximity to the Banks and principal business places. SPECIALLY REDUCED SUMMER RATES.

For Particulars apply to THE MANAGER.

MACAO HOTEL

(Late HING KEE HOTEL).

This FAVOURITE and LONG ESTABLISHED Hotel is situated on the SEA-FRONT commanding a MAGNIFICENT VIEW of the Harbour and adjacent islands, and is open to the COOL SOUTHERLY BREEZES in Summer.

The BED-ROOMS are LARGE, COOL, AIRY, WELL-VENTILATED and HANDSOMELY FURNISHED. The CUISINE is EXCELLENT and under direct EUROPEAN supervision.

PIC-NIC, SHOOTING or BOATING parties specially catered for. A commodious and comfortable stern-wheel HOUSE-BOAT, with sleeping accommodation for six passengers and EVERY CONVENIENCE, is provided for the use of visitors AT REASONABLE RATES. A MILITARY BAND PLAYS in the Gardens, close to the Hotel, three times a week.

SEA BATHING.

STEAMERS to and from Macao, every MORNING and AFTERNOON.

WM. FARMER, Proprietor and Manager.

Intimations.

"I hear they want more"



Bovril
is the best beverage;
because it not only stimulates, but tones-up and builds-up body and brain.
Added to gravies, hashes, stews, etc., BOVRIL makes them immensely stronger, richer, and more palatable and nourishing.

JAPAN COALS.

THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA (MITSUI & Co.)

HEAD OFFICE:—1, SURUGA-CHO, TOKYO.
LONDON BRANCH:—34, LIME STREET, E.C.
HONGKONG BRANCH:—PRINCE'S BUILDINGS, ICE HOUSE STREET.

OTHER OFFICES:

New York, San Francisco, Hamburg, Bombay, Singapore, Sourabaya, Manila, Amoy, Shanghai, Chefoo, Tientsin, Newchwang, Port Arthur, Seoul, Chemulpo, Yokohama, Yokosuka, Nagoya, Osaka, Kobe, Madsura, Kure, Shimonoeki, Moji, Wakamatsu, Karatsu, Nagasaki, Kuchinotsu, Sasabe, Miike, Hakodate, Taipeh, &c.

Telegraphic Address: "MITSUI" (A.B.C. and A 1 Codes).

CONTRACTORS OF COAL to the Imperial Japanese Navy and Armaments and the State Railways; Principal Railway Companies and Industrial Works; Home and Foreign Mail and Freight Steamers.
SOLE PROPRIETORS of the Famous Miike, Tagawa, Yamano and Ida Coal Mines; and SOLE AGENTS for Fujinotani, Hokoku, Hondo, Ichimura, Kanada, Mameda, Mannoura, Onoura, Otsuji, Sasahara, Tsubakuro, Yoshinotani, Yoshio, Yunokibara and other Coals.
N. INUZUKA, Manager, Hongkong

H. PRICE & CO.,

WINE MERCHANTS,

12 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Picnic parties furnished with wines, etc., at a moment's notice.

Contracts made on special terms with Caterers, Committees, Messes and Captains of Steamers. All Wines, Spirits and Beers supplied are guaranteed.

Price list on application. TELEPHONE No. 135.

Hongkong, 23rd July, 1903.

COOLALTA WINES.

FROM THE CELEBRATED COOLALTA VINEYARDS, NEW SOUTH WALES.

These excellent Wines are strongly recommended to Invalids.

Telephone No. 75.

BURGUNDY, Extra quality.
CLARET, Full body, excellent flavor.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co., SOLE AGENTS.

Hongkong, 28th August, 1903.

OCCIDENTAL HOTEL (ELGIN ROAD, KOWLOON.)

Code Address: "YOSEMITE."

35 BEDROOMS EXCELLENTLY FURNISHED. BATH TO EACH ROOM. DINING ROOM AND CUISINE UNDER STRICT SUPERVISION.

EUROPEAN AND AMERICAN WINES, SPIRITS AND BEERS. POOL AND BILLIARDS.

ENGLISH, AMERICAN, AND MANILA NEWSPAPERS IN FILE. TERMS.—\$4.00 to \$7.00 per day. \$75 to \$120 per month.

JAS. D. M. CAMERON, Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd August, 1903.

MARLBOROUGH HOUSE

31, 32, 40 and 41, NORTH SOOCHOW ROAD—SHANGHAI.

PLEASANT AND CENTRAL SITUATION, FACING SOUTH.

THIS HIGH-CLASS BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT has Well-furnished Rooms by the Day or Month.

Telegraphic Address: "MARLBOROUGH." Telephone: No. 580.

Shanghai, 6th June, 1903.

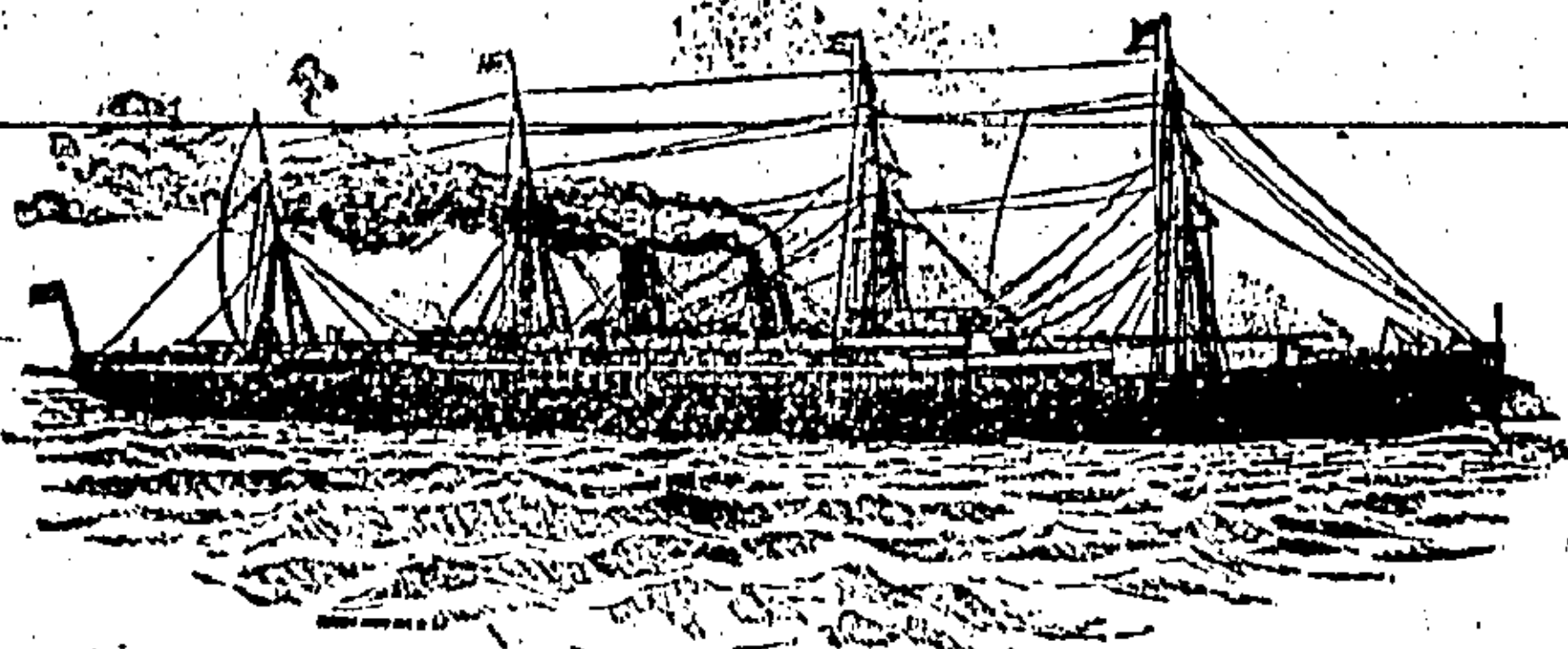
HONGKONG HOTEL.

Military Band during dinner on Saturday Nights.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1903.

Hants.

U.S. MAIL LINES.



PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO., OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S.S. CO.,
TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO,
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE;

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"SIBERIA"	WEDNESDAY, 16th September, at Daylight.
"AMERICA MARU"	SATURDAY, 26th September, at Noon.
"KOREA"	TUESDAY, 13th October, at Noon.
"HONGKONG MARU"	TUESDAY, 20th October, at Noon.
"OHINA"	WEDNESDAY, 28th October, at Noon.
"DORIO"	FRIDAY, 6th November, at Noon.
"NIPPON MARU"	SATURDAY, 14th November, at Noon.
"NIPPON MARU"	TUESDAY, 24th November, at Noon.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. "KOREA," 12,000 tons, Oct. 18th-28th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

THE P. M. Company's Steamship "SIBERIA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via MACAO, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, TO-MORROW, the 16th instant, at Daylight, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Special rates (First-class only) to European Ports, are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Consular Services, and European Civil Service Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the Service of the Governments of China and Japan.

TO UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN PORTS, Special rates (first class only) are granted and will apply only to Missionaries, Members of the Naval and Military Services, and to Consular and Diplomatic Officials of the Governments of China and Japan.

Return Passage.—Reduction will be made to passengers who do not hold return tickets, making the return journey between ports in the Orient and Honolulu or beyond, within twelve months.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany each shipment of Cargo or parcel (valued at \$100. Gold or over) destined to Points, beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Companies' Office addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

Merchant's Invoice will be sufficient for cargo or parcel (each shipment) when the value is less than \$100. U.S. Gold.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1903.

J. STUART THOMSON, Acting Agent.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.'S
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA
AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA, B.C.)

K. I. EXPRESS "Twin Screw Steamships—5,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 Knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	6,000 Tons.	WEDNESDAY, 23rd September.
"TARTAR"	4,425	WEDNESDAY, 7th October.
"EMPERESS OF CHINA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 21st October.
"ATHENIAN"	3,882	WEDNESDAY, 4th November.
"EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 18th November.
"EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 16th December.
"ATHENIAN"	3,882	WEDNESDAY, 13th January, 1904.
"EMPERESS OF CHINA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 27th January.
"TARTAR"	4,425	WEDNESDAY, 10th February.
"EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 24th February.
"ATHENIAN"	3,882	WEDNESDAY, 9th March.
"EMPERESS OF CHINA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 23rd March.
"EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 6th April.
"ATHENIAN"	3,882	WEDNESDAY, 27th April.
"EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 11th May.

THE magnificent "EMPERESS" Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, ("TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" 14 DAYS), saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURANCE of its TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

Hongkong, 1st September, 1903.

D. E. BROWN, General Agent,

Pedder's Street.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

OBERSTÄDTISCHER FRACHTDAMPFER DIENST.

(Taking Cargo at through Rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANT; BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS; NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
ANDALUSIA	HAVRE AND HAMBURG.	23rd Sept.
von Döhren	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	Freight.
ABESSINIA	HAVRE AND HAMBURG.	6th October.
Filler	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	Freight.
BRISGAVIA	HAVRE AND HAMBURG.	20th October.
Schulze	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	Freight.
SAXONIA	HAVRE AND HAMBURG.	3rd Nov.
Brehmer	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	Freight.

For further Particulars, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,

HONGKONG OFFICE,

No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 9th September, 1903.

Shipping—Steamers.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND
WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM"	2,363 tons.	Captain H. D. Jones.
"POWAN"	2,138	" G. F. Morrison, R.N.R.
"FATSHAN"	2,280	" A. W. Dixon.
"HANKOW"	3,073	" C. V. Lloyd.
"KINSHAN"	2,860	" J. J. Lassius.

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at about 7 A.M. and 10 A.M. (Sunday excepted) and at about 6 P.M. (Saturday excepted).
Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily (Sunday excepted) at about 8 A.M., 2 P.M. and 5.30 P.M.

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "HEUNG-SHAN" 1,998 tons. Captain W. E. Clarke.

Departures from Hongkong to Macao daily at about 1 P.M. as per special Schedule. Sunday Do. from Macao to Hongkong daily at about 7.30 A.M.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN" 2,19 tons. Captain T. Hamlin.
This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at about 7.30 A.M.; and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 7.30 A.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K., C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-VUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "NANNING" 569 tons. Captain R. D. Thomas.
S.S. "SAINAM" 588 " B. Branch.
One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Vuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 A.M., and the other leaves Vuchow for Canton on the same days at about 8 A.M. Round trips take about 5 days. These vessels have Superior Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the—

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LD.,

18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, opposite the Hongkong Hotel.

Or of BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD

Hongkong, 4th August, 1903. 1357c

Intimations.

PORTRAITS, GROUPS, ENLARGING, AND
COPYING IN ALL SIZES.

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ATTENTION.

FULL LINE OF SUPPLIES

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NOTICE is hereby given that AN EXTRA-

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OFFICES, Nos. 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central,

Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the

1st day of October, 1903, at NOON, when the

SUBJONED RESOLUTIONS will be pro-

posed, viz:—

1. "That the Capital of the Company

"be increased from \$1,000,000 (divided

"into 100,000 shares of \$10 each) to

"\$1,500,000 (divided into 150,000 shares

"of \$10 each) by the creation of 50,000

"new shares of \$10 each to be offered and

"if accepted to be allotted to the present

"shareholders of the Company at par in

"the ratio and proportion of one new

"share for every two old shares in the

"Company held by the respective share-

"holders thereof, the amount payable on

"each of such new shares respectively to

"be paid at such time or times and in such

"manner as the Company by its General

"Managers may hereafter determine."

2. "That Article No. 82 of the Articles

"of Association of the Company be can-

"celled and the following Article sub-

"stituted therefor:—

"The remuneration of the General

"Managers shall be \$4,000 per annum

"(which shall cover office rent but

"not salaries of Secretary and other

"employees) and a commission of 5

"per cent. of the net profits of the

"Company for each year that such

"profits amount to 7 per cent. of the

"Capital of the Company."

Should the above Resolutions be duly passed

they will be submitted for confirmation as

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS to a SECOND

EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEET-

ING which will be subsequently convened.

Dated this 24th day of July, 1903.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,

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TELEPHONE, 232.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1903.

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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, SEPT. 15, 1903.

PROPOSED LIGHTHOUSE
IMPROVEMENTS AROUND
HONGKONG.

It is now more than twenty-eight years ago that the local authorities commenced the important work of lighting the approaches to the harbour of Hongkong by erecting a small granite tower with a fixed light on the south-west end of Green Island. Successive administrations have added to that aid to navigation, and since the Green Island light first flashed across the waters much has been done to improve the service for which captains of steamers, pilots, underwriters and steamship owners, who have reaped the benefits, have reason to be thankful. At the present time there are four lighthouses and three beacons under the administration of the British Government in Hongkong, and we would strongly urge that the ultra-parsimonious policy of the Government be set aside—now that the opium farm contributes so handsome an augmentation to our revenue—and other houses and beacons be constructed to render safer the navigation of the approaches to Hongkong. Too much stress cannot be laid upon the fact that no expenditure can be too great to afford any and every facility by which the shipping trade of the Colony is to be fostered. We owe our very existence to that trade, and the capital at home, in foreign countries and Hongkong, which has been sunk in the enterprise that has so largely contributed to build up our shipping statistics to the enormous volume of 23,000,000 tons for this port yearly, is surely deserving of our consideration and our earnest cajoling. Since the lighting of Gap Rock, in 1892, the work of shipmasters in making the port from the south between the hours of sunset and sunrise has been simplified, and a great advantage has accrued to mariners leaving this anchorage by the Green Island Channel when bound to the southward on the approach of night. To ocean-going craft it is one of the most important lights on the China coast, as a vessel coming up from Singapore has a thousand miles to run without sighting land until some eighteen miles from the Rock when, at night, she can pick up the white light and proceed towards Green Island. At present, we believe it is impossible to see the lesser light until Gap Rock has been left some considerable distance behind, and when it does appear it might at first be easily mistaken for a junk's light. We understand that it is proposed at an early date to remove the apparatus on Cape D'Aguilar to Green Island thus enabling mariners to pick up the light before losing sight of the one on Gap Rock. Since the Waglan Light was acquired from the Chinese Government after the cession of the New Territories, that on Cape D'Aguilar has been discontinued so that its removal will not entail any loss to navigation. The fixed lantern on the little island off West Point, which at present throws a fixed white light in the direction of Lungtung and a red across the Kellett Bank is going to do duty on Cape Collinson, opposite the Futun Pass, where a red light, visible in clear weather for a distance of six miles, has been exhibited since 1875. This change should prove of great advantage to coast going steamers and especially those running to Shanghai and northern coast ports. The Cape is the most north-easterly point of Hongkong, and on the direct route to the Fathong Channel and Waglan, and as the Green Island light, which it is proposed to place on it, can be seen twelve miles in clear weather the importance of the exchange is obvious. We are given to understand that the old lantern, which has done duty on the rocky cape, 200 feet above the sea, for the past twenty-seven years, will be brought down to Hongkong, and placed on Blackhead's Hill, where it should be of great service to shipping plying within the waters of the harbour after sunset. But by far the more important proposal is that contemplated for the erection of lights on the western point of Ma Tak, the small island separated from Lantau by the narrow channel of water known as the Capsuimun

Pass. A few days since the Harbour Master (Hon. R. Murray Rumsey) accompanied by the assistant Harbour Master (Mr. Basil Taylor) visited the island for the purpose of selecting a suitable site, and we gather they suggested having a couple of lights, visible to shipping, entering the harbour from Canton or Macao, via the Capsuimun Pass. We are advised that two green lights would be the most serviceable as in case one failed shipping would continue to stand on, whereas if red was the colour selected and such an accident occurred mariners might take it for the light of an approaching vessel and thus be delayed without cause. We hope the decision will be arrived at to provide this further facility in the matter of lighting and so great assistance will be afforded to shipmasters, and especially to those having charge of the craft comprising our ever-increasing fleet of boats on the Canton run, many of which arrive in Hongkong late at night or in the early hours of the morning. Indeed, it is strange that no such light was erected in that neighbourhood many years ago, as having regard to the innumerable junks plying in those waters at all hours of the day and night and burning all sorts and power of lights, the proposal will meet with general support from shipmasters and shipowners from whom, we believe, the suggestion emanated. While on the subject of lighthouses it would be as well to direct attention to the dangerous vicinity some 180 miles from the Colony, known as Pratas Shoal, which, we believe, is at present unlighted. Every year many junks are wrecked upon it, and only a few months since we recorded the loss of an American sailing ship on that spot. It is on the direct run to Manila, and the authorities would be well advised to establish a powerful light on the north-east corner of the reef the cost of which could be borne jointly by our Government and the Philippine Islands. A light on the southern portion of Mins Point, indicating the proximity of dangerous reefs to the northwards, would be of service to mariners, while several beacons could with advantage be erected on the Brothers, Pillar Point, Lung Ko and at other desirable positions within the waters of the Colony. At present two buoys having a red light mark the western entrance to the central fairway in the harbour and we are given to understand shipmasters complain that they are frequently unlighted at night.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

RINDERPEST is raging among the cattle in Corea.

A CASE of plague is reported from the French Congo.

THE King of Servia has contracted a loan of one million at Paris.

TWO Japanese officers have gone to attend the Russian grand military manoeuvres at Nikol'sk.

THE revenue collected by the I. M. Customs at Dalny is to be deposited with the Russo-Chinese Bank.

AN English Note proposes to submit all complaints against the Congo Free State to the Hague tribunal.

One more chance to buy a Kodak for \$5; a good Kodak. LeMunyon, 31, Des Vaux Road.—Advt.

THE King of England, it is now known, expressed himself strongly against the action of Bulgaria while in Vienna.

LADY Minto, wife of the Governor-General of Canada, is expected at Yokohama by the *Empress of China* on the 21st.

WE have received the programme of the Shanghai Autumn Race Meeting to be held on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th November.

A TREMENDOUS explosion took place in a godown at No. 11, Yokohama, on the 3rd, when 300 bottles of collodion went off spontaneously.

THE directors of the Shanghai Tug and Lighter Co., Ltd., have declared interim dividends at the rate of 33 per cent on the preference, and 4 per cent on the ordinary shares.

THREE months' hard labour was the sentence passed upon a celestial at the Magistracy this morning for prowling about a staircase at West Point, with intent to commit a felony.

A NOTICE has been issued at Shanghai that, owing to the illness of more than half the staff on the Telephone Exchange, subscribers may be somewhat inconvenienced by delay.

It is reported that on Sunday night a native carpenter employed in the Naval Yard, after having imbibed too freely of *samsu*, made his way to his verandah at No. 253, Queen's Road East, and reaching out to take in some pieces of clothing hung over the street by a bamboo, he overbalanced and fell to the street, a distance of about 45 feet, fracturing his skull. Death was instantaneous.

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A GREAT steel trust is being formed in Germany, on the lines of the American Steel Trust.

Do your own developing without a dark room by using an Eastman developing machine. LeMunyon.—Advt.

FOR carrying twenty-seven passengers, in excess of the number allowed by his licence, the master of the Yau-mai ferry launch, *Tai Lee*, this morning was fined \$75 or one month's imprisonment.

A TRAVELLER writes from Harbin that in the Moukden-Chahé district eight Chinese villages have been completely destroyed by floods. All the crops are annihilated, and the roads have entirely disappeared.

YESTERDAY afternoon a pleasant function took place at the Harbour Office when the Hon. R. Murray Rumsey, the retiring Harbour Master, was the recipient of a piece of silver plate subscribed for by the staff of that department.

GEORGE Skead, stoker of H.M.S. *Cressy*, was charged before Mr. Sercombe Smith at the Magistracy this morning for behaving in a disorderly manner whilst drunk on Queen's Road East, last night. He was fined \$5 or seven days' imprisonment.

"I AM a coolie," and a man told me to carry the rice," was the explanation received from a celestial at the Magistracy this morning before Mr. Sercombe Smith when charged for stealing 85 cabbies of rice. He was sentenced to two months' imprisonment.

THE Russian Government have entered into an arrangement with the International Wagon Lits Company to extend the fast train service on the Trans-Siberian line, but they have stipulated that, as far as possible, all cars are to be constructed of Russian material.

Fresh Kodak film, plenty of them, at LeMunyon's, 31, Des Vaux Road.—Advt.

SANITARY Inspector Fincher charged Hop Kee, master of a dairy, at No. 17, Elgin Road, Kowloon, at the Magistracy before Mr. Kemp, this morning, with failing to keep all articles used in connection with the dairy in a clean condition. His Worship fined him \$10.

THE following British men-of-war were at Weihaiwei on 29th ult. viz:—*Glory*, *Ocean*, *Vengeance*, *Cressy*, *Amphitrite*, *Blenheim*, *Hammer*, *Esperanza*, *Sirius*, *Thetis*, *Phoenix*, *Fearless*, *Acrity*, and *Torpedo Boat Destroyers Handy*, *Janus*, *Oiler* and *Hart*.

It is reported in local mandarin circles that Mr. Odagiri, the Japanese Consul-General has officially addressed a dispatch to the Shanghai Taotai about the granting of a piece of ground at Yangzepoo for a Japanese Settlement, and that the Taotai has refused, replying that the authorities at Peking should be applied to first.

By the s.s. *Frans Ferdinand* which left Singapore on 10th inst., Sir William Mitchell, C.M.G., is coming to the Far East on a three months' trip. Sir William has letters of introduction from the Governor of Ceylon to Sir Ernest Satow and Sir Claude Macdonald. He is head of the firm of Darley, Butler & Co., Colombo, and is senior unofficial member of the Ceylon Legislative Council. He introduced the cotton industry into Ceylon, and has rendered many services to the Government, taking a prominent part in the development of the Colony.

WHILE L. S. 97 was patrolling MacDonnell Road, Kowloon, yesterday afternoon, he saw a coolie carrying a bundle. He stopped him, and after putting a few questions, marched him off to the station. Inquiries were then made, and it was found out that the coolie had entered a house occupied by a widow at Yau-mai and removed ten jackets, four trousers, two blankets, two cotton sheets, one wooden box and \$40 in money, amounting to the total value of \$61. The stolen property was found in the bundle and he was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

Mail your films and Kodak orders to LeMunyon, P. O. B. 368.—Advt.

THE important work of exploring the Laos States bordering on Siam, of which not much is known, has just been largely added to on behalf of the French Government. The credit of this achievement belongs to M. Ajabert, who has spent three years in those regions. Fortunately, though the population is almost exclusively sparse, it is not greatly anti-foreign, and M. Ajabert has suffered from nothing worse than hardships of travel, scant diet, and river water full of infinite possibilities in the way of cholera. M. Ajabert has just returned to Paris, where the results of his mission are being arranged for an elaborate report.

THE staff of the Custom-house at Dalny, which was to have been opened on the 1st inst., according to a report mentioned by the *Japan Times*, will be composed of Russians and Chinese presided over by a Russian financial official formerly on duty at Port Arthur. The custom-house in question is, like the other custom-houses in China, under the control of Sir Robert Hart, the Inspector-General of the Chinese Customs. An ad valorem duty of 5 per cent is to be imposed on all goods entering Dalny, and the receipts therefrom will be deposited at the Russo-Chinese Bank as security for the Boxer indemnity due to the Powers concerned.

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WE learn from Canton that the British authorities have modified the wording of the police recently issued prohibiting Chinese on the concession, and native merchants have resumed business on the Shaimen.

VICTORY Chang, seeing the fragile state of the Emperor's body, has suggested that his Majesty construct a gymnasium in the Palace where he will be able to strengthen his muscles by gymnastic exercises. The idea has been enthusiastically taken up by their Majesties, but it has not yet transpired who is to have the honour of being the Emperor's gymnastic instructor. Probably Victory Chang will be commanded by the Empress Dowager to select one for the Emperor. Such is native report.

THE *Kriegberg*, which arrived at Tientsin on the 6th, reported that she passed a wreck between Hawke Island and Chefoo. She was a four-masted sailing vessel laden with lumber. Two of her masts were broken off and lying in the water. She had a large hole in her starboard side and her stern was under water. She had been abandoned by her crew. From the appearances, this was done in a hurry, the captain no doubt thinking she was about to go under. When last seen she was about 10 miles from Hawke Island and drifting south.

News was received at Shanghai on 11th inst. that Mr. Barke, late third officer of the C. M. Co.'s s.s. *Kiangwan*, was seized with cholera and succumbed to the disease that morning at Ngankin. When the vessel arrived at Kiangkiang Mr. C. Paplow, the chief officer, and Mr. Cousins, acting second engineer, were landed in a serious condition suffering from the same disease. Mr. L. Burns, third officer of the same ship, who was landed at Wuhu some time ago suffering from cholera, has now entirely recovered and has rejoined the ship.

THE Tientsin *Takungpao* has the following:—On the 1st instant M. Lassar, the Russian Minister, went to the Paiyun Kuan, or White Cloud Temple, and there met the Empress Dowager's favourite eunuch, Li L'enyang, for a secret conference. The Taoist Abbot of the temple is also well known to be a great favourite of the Empress Dowager, and thick friend with the eunuch as well as with a number of Russians in the capital who frequently associate with him, for reasons not far to seek. The Abbot was also present at the secret conference with M. Lassar, and it is known that this meeting of three was made at the command of the Empress Dowager. It has since been averred that the conference had reference to the making of a loan from the Russo-Chinese Bank.

Framing, fancy and artistically done by LeMunyon, 31, Des Vaux Road.—Advt.

A BAG OF JEWELRY AND A COOL COOLIE.

Yesterday forenoon an Indian constable reported at the Central Police Station that a merchant had lost some valuable jewelry at an Indian store, in D'Aguilar Street. A European policeman was despatched and was not long in returning with the suspected culprit. It appears that on the 13th inst., Mrs. Glover residing at No. 10, D'Aguilar Street was taken suddenly ill and was ordered by her doctor to the hospital. Before going there, she handed a friend a satchel containing two gold bangles, two diamond rings, a pair of diamond earrings, two plain gold rings, a diamond brooch, a gold coin brooch, a gold chain and \$30 in a small purse, total value \$2,530, and asked him to keep them for her. The merchant took the satchel containing the valuables, placed it in his pocket and then accompanied her to the Government Civil Hospital. The satchel was not removed, when he went to bed, and in fact he placed the trousers under his pillow. Yesterday morning he again proceeded to the hospital and then returned to the Post Office for any letters that might have arrived.

Afterwards he despatched a wire to the lady's husband informing him of her illness. At the Telegraph Office he opened the satchel, placed the copy of telegram in it, and saw that the valuables were all there. He then returned home, and entered Hiptoola's stores at 15 Wellington Street, and inquired whether there were any letters or telegrams. On receiving a reply in the negative, he opened his satchel and showed Mr. Rasuljee, an assistant in the store, the copy of the wire he sent. He then remembered something he had forgotten at the Telegraph Office and hastened back, but forgot the satchel. At the Post Office he discovered the loss of the bag so hastened back to the store, but found that the satchel had disappeared. At the time he took the copy of the telegram out of the bag, there were three persons in the store, and he at once inquired of them whether they had seen the bag. They replied that they had not. The merchant told Mr. Rasuljee, who was in the store at the time, that he would give anything to find the bag, as it contained only valuable documents. The merchant sent for the police, and kept his eye on a coolie, who was in the shop when the bag was opened. He offered him \$20 for the bag, but he said "I no see." Subsequently Mr. Rasuljee had a conversation with him and the coolie at once turned around and said that he had the bag. He retired to the back of the store, followed by the merchant and the storekeeper, and with the aid of a piece of stick he opened the bag from under a shelf and, laughing, placed it on the counter. Mr. Herman had him arrested and he was charged at the Magistracy this morning. When asked by His Worship the value of the jewelry, the merchant stated that he did not know, but some time ago the lady told him that the pair of earrings alone cost \$100 odd. The case was remanded until to-morrow.

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DEPARTURE OF H.E. MAJOR GENERAL AND LADY GASCOIGNE.

At half-past three this afternoon, to the strains of the Band of the Sherwood Foresters, a company of the Derbyshire Marched down to Blake Pier and there formed a guard of honour, under the command of Colonel Brown, R.E., awaiting the arrival of the popular retiring Officer Commanding the Troops, H. E. Major-General Sir William J. Gascoigne, K.C.M.G., with Lady Gascoigne, who were to proceed on board the Pacific mail liner *Siberia* on their journey home via America. A large gathering of officials and unofficials consisting of members of the naval, military and civil communities were at the wharf to wish "God speed" to the General and his amiable wife. There were at the wharf a large number of ladies also, who presented quite a number of lovely bouquets of flowers to Lady Gascoigne.

Among those present at the Pier we noticed the Lord Bishop of Victoria, Right Rev. Bishop L. M. Flazoli, Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G. (Colonial Secretary), Hon. R. Murray Rumsey, Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G.; Hon. C. W. Dickson, Hon. A. G. Wise (Pulse Judge), Major Hamilton, (Chief Staff Officer), Colonel A. G. Romano (Confidential General for Portugal and Brazil), Mr. J. J. Leila (vice-consul), Chevalier Volpicelli (Consul for Italy), Hon. A. M. Thomson, Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson, Hon. Genl. Stewart, Rev. Hardy, Major Chichester, D.S.O., Capt. Brown, Lieut. Northcote, H.K.V.C., Dr. F. O. Steadman, Hon. Wm. Chatham, Lieut. Caulfield, 10th Bombay Infantry, Major Bryan, R.G.A., Major Ormiston, Colonel Birdwood, Major Pritchard, Capt. Hurley, Major Baker Prown, Colonel Lambkin, Major Chapman, H.K.V.C., Hon. Ho. Kai, Commodore Robinson, Major Dopping Hippenshall, R.E., Colonel Brown, Colonel Webb, R.M.O., Major Wylie, Captain P. Williams, Major Runny, Colonel Ferrier, Colonel Candy, and Messrs. L. M. Johnson, H. N. Rody, A. Turner, E. A. Hewitt, C. A. Tomes, T. Morgan Phillips, J. Cosman.

At five minutes past four o'clock Sir William Gascoigne arrived. H.E. was dressed in the full uniform of Major-General and was followed by Lady Gascoigne and Major the Hon. H. W. Trefusis, A.D.C., who accompany H.E. on his voyage home. On the arrival of the General, the Guard of Honour presented arms and there was a general salute. His Excellency then inspected the ranks by whom he is held in such high esteem. He bade them all "Good-bye." He then took farewell of the large number of people present and afterwards embarked on board the military launch *Tammy Athens* which, dressed for the occasion, conveyed the party on board the P. M. s.s. *Siberia* lying in harbour.

A special function has been arranged on board the mail steamer this afternoon in honour of the distinguished departing official, and to-night a farewell dinner will be given on board at which a large number of guests will be present. Reports of both these functions will appear in our issue to-morrow.

We understand that Colonel Brown will assume command of the Garrison until the arrival of General Gascoigne's successor.

CARRIER PIGEONS FOR THE GERMAN NAVY.

For some time past severe experiments have been conducted by the German naval authorities to ascertain the suitability of the carrier pigeon for intelligence service in the navy; and so successful have these trials proved, that permanent pigeon stations are to be erected. To assist the Admiralty in its scheme, sixty-one carrier pigeon clubs have placed their services at the disposal of the authorities. From the results of the experiments, it is estimated that the birds have sufficient endurance to fly home from a point 300 kilometres from land. Naturally, the time occupied by the birds in flying over the distance to be traversed depends upon the capabilities of the messenger, and the weather, but it is estimated that one kilometre per minute is the minimum speed likely to be attained.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.
German (*Seydlitz*) to-morrow.
Canadian (*Tartar*) 17th inst.
American (*Coptic*) 17th inst.
French (*Annan*) 21st inst.
American (*America Mark*) 23rd inst.
Australian (*Australian*) 24th inst.
Canadian (*Empress of China*) 28th inst.
American (*Korea*) 1st prox.

The A. L. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Persia* left Shanghai for this port yesterday.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Maagon* left Singapore for this port on 15th inst. at 6 a.m.

The M. M. Co.'s s.s. *Gironde* left Kobe for Hongkong on 15th inst. at daylight and is due here on 18th inst. at daylight.

The E. & A. s.s. *Empire*, left here on 16th ult. for Australia via Timor Port Darwin and Queensland, arrived at Sydney yesterday.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Tanaka Maru* (European Line) left Shanghai for this port to-day, and is expected to arrive here on 18th inst. at daylight.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Tartar* arrived at Nankai at 8 a.m. on 14th inst., and left again at 1 p.m. same day for Shanghai where she is due to arrive at 6 a.m. on 16th inst.

THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuters.)

The Balkan Trouble.

LONDON, 13th September.
It is reported in Sofia that the Ministry has decided to mobilise the first and second divisions of the Army quartered at Sofia and Philippopolis respectively.

The Evacuation of Manchuria.

The American Government has been informed that Russia has requested permission from China for the postponement of the evacuation of the Kirin province of Manchuria to several months after 8th October, the date fixed for the general evacuation of Manchuria. The United States are indifferent.

(N. C. D. News.)

The New Russian Proposal.

Peking, 10th September.
Russia has submitted to China a new series of demands, consisting of five or seven articles. Their acceptance is a condition precedent to the evacuation of Manchuria, but their contents are kept secret.

Peking, 11th September.

Mr. Uchida, the Japanese Minister, in an interview with Prince Ching yesterday afternoon at Eho Park, made the strongest possible protest against the new Russian proposal.

Tokyo, 11th September.

The Japanese Press strongly condemns the new Russian proposals, and expresses its surprise that such conditions should be formulated at Peking, while direct negotiation is pending in Russia.

Japan considers that the proposals indicate the nominal substitution of a commercial for a military occupation; but create an armed camp in the middle of Manchuria along the Sungari. Should China make such a concession in the case of the Sungari, other Powers will be entitled to similar concessions on any Chinese river.

The papers also object to the unreasonable delay in the evacuation of Manchuria, also to the proposed differential rate of duty on rail-borne goods, which conflicts with the new treaty tariff.

They denounce the special privileges granted to Russian banks outside the Settlements; also the proposed telegraph monopoly.

They consider that the sanitary control at Newchwang will enable Russia to practically close that port.

Finally, they urge replacing diplomatic amenities by firm demands.

The Demand for Labour on the Rand.

London, 10th September.

A statement issued by the Transvaal Chamber of Mines shows that the present shortage of labour is 115,110 men, which means an annual loss in dividends of £2,925,000 sterling.

The Chamber is convinced that the importation of unskilled labour is the only solution of the difficulty.

Another Royal Admiral.

London, 10th September.

King Edward has appointed the King of Portugal an Admiral of the Fleet in the Royal Navy.

Preparations for Defence in Turkey.

London, 11th September.

A Turkish irade orders the repairing or reconstruction of the fortifications at Adrianople, Chatalji, Erzeroum, and on the Bosphorus.

An irade has been promulgated approving the unification of the Ottoman Debt.

(Kobe Herald.)

Ugly Report re Russia.

London, 3rd September.

The *Gaulois* (Paris) has published a lengthy article concerning Russia's intentions in the political sphere. The writer declares that a renewal of political activity on the part of Russia is imminent, and that it will be entered upon in a bellicose mood, with the express object of consolidating the country's conquests.

Another forward movement on Russia's part (the writer continues) is certain.—*Mainichi*.

Affairs in Turkey.

FOREIGN EMBASSIES ENDANGERED.

London, 3rd September.

The Sultan of Turkey has warned the Foreign Embassies at Constantinople to prepare against the danger of attacks by Bulgarian agitators as they have threatened to commit outrages.

The Ambassadors have demanded efficacious police surveillance.—*Mainichi*.

(Der Ostasiatische Lloyd.)

The Position in Beirut.

Beirut, 10th September.

Everything is now quiet in Beirut. The Tali has been degraded.

The news that the Vali of Damascus, with troops, is proceeding to Beirut to restore order, has been received with satisfaction.

The American Government supports the action of Admiral Cotton.

The Kaiser's Travels.

Count Bulow, Chancellor, will accompany H.M. the Kaiser on the visit to Vienna.

Turks Win.

The Turkish troops are succeeding everywhere in Macedonia.

Bulgaria Warlike.

The Russian press publishes warlike utterances of the Bulgarian Minister-President.

The Powers have again warned the government of Sofia.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

—TOMORROW'S PROGRAMME.

As we are going to press the annual aquatic sports of the Victoria Recreation Club are proceeding at Kowloon in the presence of a large gathering of people. As the racing did not commence until half-past four we are unable to describe the various events in our issue this evening, but will give them to-morrow night. The second day's programme includes several very interesting competitions, the 200 Yards Championship of the Colony for Sir Henry Blake's prize figuring as the first item. C. Cooke may be expected among the first three finishing, and A. Loureiro and M. A. Razack should provide the spectators with a first-class exhibition of plunging. The award for the running header from a spring board may go to F. W. White or F. Jorge, and the final of the four lengths (handicap), has every prospect of being brought off by W. Schumacher or C. Humphreys. R. Wittich seems favourite for place diving, and the names of R. Henderson and W. Schumacher have been mentioned in connection with the two lengths hurdle race.

The following is the programme for to-morrow:—

4.30 p.m.—CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE COLONY, 200 yards (six lengths). Open to all comers. 1st prize presented by H. E. Sir Henry A. Blake, G.C.M.G. 2nd prize presented by W. Farmer, Esq.

N. H. Alves
A. V. Barros
W. Schumacher
C. Cooke
H. S. Holmes
A. Marti

4.45 p.m.—PLUNGING. 1st prize presented by Ho Tung, Esq. 2nd prize presented.

F. K. Tata
N. H. Alves
A. V. Barros
W. Schumacher
C. Cooke
A. Loureiro
H. S. Holmes

5.00 p.m.—BOYS' RACE (9 to 13 years of age). Two lengths (handicap), post entries. Two prizes presented. Sons or brothers of members only admitted.

5.15 p.m.—RUNNING HEAD R from spring board. Two prizes. 1st prize presented by A. Rodgers, Esq. 2nd prize presented.

N. H. Alves
A. V. Barros
W. Schumacher
H. S. Holmes
G. J. Clark
A. Marti
C. Humphreys
F. W. White

5.45 p.m.—FOUR LENGTHS (handicap), (1st and 2nd in each heat to swim in the final). Two prizes. 1st prize presented by J. R. M. Smith, Esq. 2nd prize presented.

1st Heat.

H. S. Holmes
J. A. S. Alves
C. Humphreys
A. Marti
A. J. V. Ribeiro
A. E. Alves
N. H. Alves

2nd Heat.

M. A. Razack
W. Schumacher
C. M. S. Alves
J. M. Rosa Pereira
R. C. Wittich
R. Lapsley
A. V. Barros

6—6.00 p.m.—DIVING FOR PLATES. 1st prize presented by Geo. A. Caldwell, Esq. 2nd prize presented.

F. K. Tata
N. H. Alves
A. V. Barros
A. J. V. Ribeiro
W. Schumacher
J. M. Rosa Pereira
H. S. Holmes
A. Marti

6.15 p.m.—HURDLE RACE TWO LENGTHS (handicap). 1st prize presented by Geo. A. Richards, Esq. 2nd prize presented. (1st and 2nd in each heat to swim in final).

1st Heat.

F. K. Tata
H. C. Sayer
W. Schumacher
A. Marti
R. C. Wittich
N. H. Alves

2nd Heat.

H. M. Bain
R. Henderson
H. S. Holmes
C. Humphreys
A. J. V. Ribeiro
C. Cooke
A. E. Alves

3rd Heat.

M. A. Razack
O. R. Chunyet
C. F. Ozorio
J. M. Rosa Pereira
A. V. Barros
R. Lapsley

The name of Mr. Auberson Herbert, the scientist, will be familiar to many people in China as that of a man who has rescued from oblivion priceless relics of prehistoric ages. His latest research has brought to light crude specimens of sculpture representing the men and beasts who inhabited England 200,000 years ago. The sculptures are on flint, and some of them are obviously caricatures. Mr. Herbert deduces from this that the earliest stone races of England had a keen sense of humour. In consequence of the existing resemblances three of these caricatures have been respectively christened Mr. Chamberlain, Sir William Harcourt, and Lord Chamberlain.

CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, 14th September.

LI KA CHEUK ARRESTED.
The officials are not having an easy time. Every one who has an enemy is taking advantage of the Viceroy's desire to hear official wrongdoing to get revenge on his enemy. Li Ka Cheuk, the notorious ex-robber in whose yamen the Gage Street murder was planned, is now lying in prison waiting trial. If he dies by the hand of the executioner he will have the satisfaction of knowing that he has committed crimes enough to justify his death. But his last crime is not his worst. Two days ago Chan Ting Wai, the commodore of the southern squadron, if the few gunboats lying about can be called a squadron, returned from Pak Hoi. Immediately on his return he was arrested. Some one had accused him of being a member of the Sun-party. It may be remembered that at the time of the attempted uprising under Dr. Sun it was asserted that the rebels had corrupted the officers on the gunboats and that as soon as the movement was started the squadron would declare for Sun. It may be on the basis of this rumour, with or without foundation, that the present charges are made. However, the officer is in prison. It does not look as if the Viceroy was inclined to be liberal by casting into prison a trusted officer on such a charge. There may be other charges of which we have not heard.

WHY THE GATES WERE SHUT.
A few days ago I wrote you that there was some unusual excitement among the officials of Canton. I have now learned that on the day in question a noted robber was captured. A reward of \$5,000 had been offered for his arrest. He was captured near Canton, but the officials are very reluctant to speak about the man. After his arrest the rumour spread that his friends were determined to try and rescue him from prison. The man is believed to have many rich relatives and these relatives were sharers in the plunder and helped the robber to escape justice. The officials were very much scared and as the city is so poorly guarded the gates were all shut early, and the guards increased as much as possible. So far all has remained quiet.

THE WEATHER.
September has been a wet month thus far. Rain has fallen every day. Some days we have had a regular downpour. In the country the rice is being planted or sown and the rain makes the work easy. According to an old saying among the farmers, "too much rain during sowing time makes a bad harvest." The explanation being that the rainfall during a year is about a fixed quantity. If the rainfall this month is above the average it will be below the average next month. The second month for the planted rice is the important one. Plenty of water is required. But as this month has an unusual amount of rain the next month will have little rain and so the rice will suffer.

THE LANTERN FESTIVAL.
Notwithstanding the rain we have had an unusually fine display of lanterns. The decorated boats have been quite up to former years and there has been a greater variety of colors. The river in the evening has presented a very pleasant picture with numerous floats.

THE EXAMINATIONS.
Examination for the second degree will be held in the City beginning on the eight of the Chinese eighth month, Sept. 28th. Already candidates are gathering. Some preliminary examinations will be held this week, but the real thing does not begin until the date mentioned. The number of candidates will be smaller than usual. In former years upwards of 12,000 candidates were often present. This year the indications are that not seven thousand will be present.

THE CASE OF EX-MARSHAL SU.

A Peking dispatch states that owing to the efforts that have been successfully made on behalf of ex-Governor Wang Chih-ch'un of Kwangsi which resulted in his being merely ordered to be sent to his native city in Hunan and placed under close surveillance by the local authorities there, the Empress Dowager has been induced to exercise a similar leniency on behalf of Wang Chih-ch'un's former colleague, the ex-Marshal, Su Yuan-ch'un. The ex-Marshal, it will be remembered, was first ordered to be decapitated this coming autumn, a sentence subsequently commuted to banishment to Chinese Turkistan, where he is to work as a convict labourer on the military post roads in expiation of his crimes in Kwangsi this year and part of last. Later, however, through the intercession of certain friends in Peking, the Empress Dowager has declared that it would be an act of gross injustice to signally to punish the ex-Marshal when an equally guilty colleague like Wang Chih-ch'un has been allowed to escape comparatively scot free. There is therefore every chance of even this sentence of banishment being commuted in the near future, and as a first step towards this it is stated the ex-Marshal has already been released from the prisons of the Board of Punishment on bail. It is quite possible therefore that ex-Marshal Su Yuan-ch'un will be allowed to return to his native city in Kwangsi province where, like Wang Chih-ch'un, he will probably be also placed under the strict surveillance of the local authorities.

With reference to the report in a contemporary that ex-Marshal Su had died in prison, the *N. C. D. News* says this rumour may have arisen through the ex-Marshal having been allowed to leave the Board of Punishment, as it were, by the back door, to await a further commutation of sentence, so that when some person or other went to make a call on the ex-Marshal the next day and found him not there the visitor may have jumped to the conclusion that the old ex-General had been made away with by his enemies. At any rate so far no telegram has been received by ex-Marshal Su's relations at Shanghai of his demise.

ARMS SMUGGLING.

THE SEQUEL.

A Foochow letter states that about a month ago, a seagoing junk belonging to a honk named Li Chi of that city, was captured by a Chinese gunboat near the White Dogs Islands, outside Foochow, whilst engaged in carrying firearms and other contrabands of war to certain piratical villages on the Fukien seacoast. For this the official button of the marine prefect of Foochow was ordered to be taken off by the Acting Viceroy and the owner of the junk was thrown into prison. Since then various efforts had been made in the usual Chinese manner to "redeem the crime" of the junk owner, but apparently the solatium offered by the man's friends was too small in comparison with the gravity of the offence, as in other words, the fellow's head was in jeopardy for that day's work. Last week, however, things seem to have brightened up a little for the junk owner, as the sum of Tls. 100,000 has been offered to the Government "to help in the crushing of the rebellion in Kwangsi province," on condition that the junk owner be pardoned and he be allowed to begin life again with, as it were, a "clean slate." Of course, much righteous indignation was evinced by the high provincial authorities at Foochow "at the audacity of the man to make such an offer," but in the meantime the marine prefect's official button has been suddenly returned to him—he being the go-between in the transaction for the junk owner and the high authorities. Putting two and two together, therefore, it is evident that this last solatium offered to the Government has been favourably considered and there seems to be every probability that the smuggler of fire arms will be allowed to return soon to the bosom of his anxious family. In conclusion, there are indications that the actual amount offered was Tls. 200,000, but as the go-between and other parties concerned had to be remunerated for their trouble they pocketed amongst themselves Tls. 40,000 and made an "open declaration" of the balance.—*N. C. D. News*.

ODD SHIPPING INCIDENT AT PORT ARTHUR.

The *Takago Maru* arrived at Shimonosaki from North China on 4th inst. One of her officers reports that Russian authorities at Newchwang shipped the salary for Russian officials at Port Arthur by the O. S. K. steamer *Suowang Maru* as the railway between the two places was damaged by the flood. The Russian authorities at Port Arthur refused to allow the cash to be landed because the ship arrived without a bill of health, and ordered the ship to undergo ten days' detention. The steamer then proceeded to Newchwang with her precious cargo and demanded compensation for the illegal treatment. The Russian authorities refused to comply with the demand and O. S. K. officials then declined to land the cash. The trouble was eventually settled by the payment of yen 700 by the Russians. The cash was then transferred to the *Takago Maru*, which in turn re-transhipped it to a steamer at Chefoo.

THE "TOKIN" FIRE.

ENORMOUS CLAIM FOR SALVAGE.

The *Kobe Chronicle* says: It is possible that the Kawasaki Dockyard Company will institute legal proceedings in connection with the recent fire on the M.M. steamer *Tonkin* making a claim for salvage service rendered to the vessel in Kobe harbour and Mirume. We understand that the amount claimed by the Kawasaki Company for salvage is ¥170,000.

From the same source we learn that on the 5th inst., at the instance of the Kawasaki Dockyard Company, Kobe, Judge Ota, inspected the extent of the damage done to the *Tonkin* by the recent fire, for the purpose of what is legally known as preservation of evidence. He was accompanied by Counsel, interpreters and representatives of both companies.

The Judge held the Court in the music saloon of the *Tonkin*, and served summonses for the appearance of the Captain, the Chief and Second Officer, and the Chief and Second Engineers of the steamer, ordering them to attend at the Kobe Ku Saibansho on the 7th inst.

Judge Ota then took the signatures of the representatives of Lloyds and the "Bureau Veritas" and gave the subject on which their expert evidence was required. The information wanted was (1) the market value of the *Tonkin* before the fire; (2) the portion of the steamer burnt; (3) the market value of the steamer after the fire; and (4) would the steamer have sunk had the after-part been burnt as was the fore-part, and was the *Tonkin* so damaged as to be rendered unserviceable?

Judge Ota requested the surveyors to send in answers to these questions during the following week.

The Court, Counsel, all interested then inspected the damage done. In the course of the inspection, M. Roux, agent of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes, said the fire that was extinguished by the Kawasaki Company, was that near the engine-room. The fire in other parts burnt itself out and could not be extinguished.

While the hole that had been made by the Kawasaki Company in the hull of the steamer was being measured, the Captain of the *Tonkin* explained that no water had come in, that way and that it was useless, being above the water-line.

It was reported in Shanghai that Viceroy T'ien Ch'ün-hsien telegraphed on the 4th instant to the Grand Council the following words: "Hsinchou captured." It will be remembered that H.E. has been before the city of Hsinchou with his forces for some time past, and the inference is therefore that city had been in the hands of the Kwangsi rebels all that time.

THE BREAKDOWN ON THE TRANS-SIBERIAN RAILWAY.

A correspondent who left Shanghai recently on the *Lienshing*, vice the *Mongolia* in quarantine, intending to make the journey homeward via Siberia, writes to the *N. C. D. News* from Kobe under date of 6th September with a record of the experiences which eventually landed him there. Arriving on Monday afternoon (31st August), at Chefoo, where the regatta was in full swing, he found after some time a steamer, "the worst of a crazy fleet," going across to Dalny. On getting his ticket he was told the Siberian train had met with an accident; a bridge had given way near Lianyungang, with a train on it, and lives had been lost, but no other particulars were to be had. Our correspondent proceeded and arrived next morning at Dalny. At the hotel he found English very imperfectly understood, but at the railway station was a "proper English-speaking Russian business man," who said great damage had been done by the rains and floods, did not mention the bridge, but when questioned admitted the collapse to be a fact and that lives had been lost. He stated they were quite unable to learn the extent of the damage as all the wires were down, and that passengers might have to wait eight days or perhaps a month. Thereupon our correspondent availed himself of the offer of the skipper of a British tramp to take him down to Moji and had a most interesting passage. From Moji he proceeded by train to Kobe to catch the *Doric*, as being the more certain way of attaining his object.

The writer of the letter adds that the Dalny hotel was full, mostly of American trippers, all stranded and all making plans. He would have tried Vladivostok, had there been a steamer, but the only one going was similar to that in which he made the passage from Chefoo to Dalny. As these load coolies the only way to travel in them is "to balance on the top of their deck house, very uncomfortable for a long journey."

The Agent to the Chinese Eastern Railway Co. Seagoing Steamship Service, has notified the public that they have received telegraphic information from Dalny to the effect that the line between Dalny and Harbin, owing to the heavy rainfall, is broken up, and that direct communication between these two towns is interrupted. According to the latest report it will take about one week to put the line in order.

Intended passengers home via the Siberian route were advised to proceed via Vladivostok, to which port the C.E.R.S. *Nonni* was to be dispatched yesterday.

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer 1/10
Bank Bills, on demand 1/10 1/16
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ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand 44 1/2
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ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer 136 1/2
On demand 137
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer 72 1/2
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ON YOKOHAMA, T.T. 89
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Bar Silver 26 1/2

To-day's Advertisements.

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Hongkong, 15th September, 1903. [1119]

IN THE MATTER OF ORDINANCE No. 2 OF 1892, AND

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF GERALD EDWARD HOLLAND, C.E., D.S.O., COMMANDER ROYAL INDIAN MARINE, AND HENRY JOHNSTON, ENGINEER, BOTH OF RANGOON, BURMA, FOR LETTERS PATENT FOR THE EXCLUSIVE USE WITHIN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG, OF AN INVENTION FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN ELEVATORS FOR LOADING AND UNLOADING COAL OR OTHER FRAGMENTARY MATERIALS.

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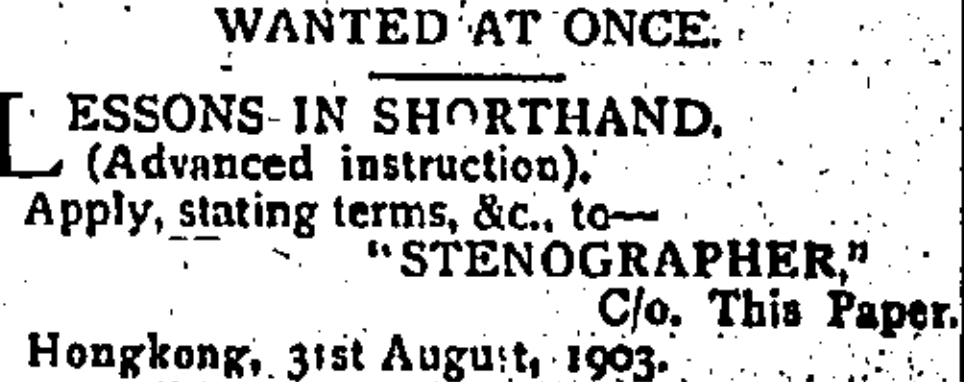
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